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#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 17, 1999

Mr. Leach (for himself, Mr. LaFalce, and Mrs. Roukema) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

#### **SEPTEMBER 7, 2000**

Reported from the Committee on Banking and Financial Services with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

#### September 7, 2000

Referral to the Committees on the Judiciary and Commerce extended for a period ending not later than September 7, 2000.

#### September 7, 2000

The Committees on the Judiciary and Commerce discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

## A BILL

To revise the banking and bankruptcy insolvency laws with respect to the termination and netting of financial contracts, and for other purposes.

1	Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
2	tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
3	SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
4	This Act may be cited as the "Financial Contract Net-
5	ting Improvement Act of 2000".
6	SEC. 2. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN AGREEMENTS BY CON-
7	SERVATORS OR RECEIVERS OF INSURED DE-
8	POSITORY INSTITUTIONS.
9	(a) Definition of Qualified Financial Con-
10	TRACT.—Section 11(e)(8)(D)(i) of the Federal Deposit In-
11	surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(i)) is amended by in-
12	serting ", resolution or order" after "any similar agreement
13	that the Corporation determines by regulation".
14	(b) Definition of Securities Contract.—Section
15	11(e)(8)(D)(ii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
16	$U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(8)(D)(ii))$ is amended to read as follows:
17	"(ii) Securities contract.—The
18	term 'securities contract'—

1	"(I) means a contract for the pur-
2	chase, sale, or loan of a security, a cer-
3	tificate of deposit, a mortgage loan, or
4	any interest in a mortgage loan, a
5	group or index of securities, certificates
6	of deposit, or mortgage loans or inter-
7	ests therein (including any interest
8	therein or based on the value thereof)
9	or any option on any of the foregoing,
10	including any option to purchase or
11	sell any such security, certificate of de-
12	posit, loan, interest, group or index, or
13	option;
14	"(II) does not include any pur-
15	chase, sale, or repurchase obligation
16	under a participation in a commercial
17	mortgage loan unless the Corporation
18	determines by regulation, resolution, or
19	order to include any such agreement
20	within the meaning of such term;
21	"(III) means any option entered
22	into on a national securities exchange
23	relating to foreign currencies;
24	"(IV) means the guarantee by or
25	to any securities clearing agency of

1	any settlement of cash, securities, cer-
2	tificates of deposit, mortgage loans or
3	interests therein, group or index of se-
4	curities, certificates of deposit, or mort-
5	gage loans or interests therein (includ-
6	ing any interest therein or based on
7	the value thereof) or option on any of
8	the foregoing, including any option to
9	purchase or sell any such security, cer-
10	tificate of deposit, loan, interest, group
11	or index, or option;
12	"(V) means any margin loan;
13	"(VI) means any other agreement
14	or transaction that is similar to any
15	agreement or transaction referred to in
16	this clause;
17	"(VII) means any combination of
18	the agreements or transactions referred
19	to in this clause;
20	"(VIII) means any option to enter
21	into any agreement or transaction re-
22	ferred to in this clause;
23	"(IX) means a master agreement
24	that provides for an agreement or
25	transaction referred to in subclause (I),

1	(III), (IV), (V), (VI), (VII), or (VIII),
2	together with all supplements to any
3	such master agreement, without regard
4	to whether the master agreement pro-
5	vides for an agreement or transaction
6	that is not a securities contract under
7	this clause, except that the master
8	agreement shall be considered to be a
9	securities contract under this clause
10	only with respect to each agreement or
11	transaction under the master agree-
12	ment that is referred to in subclause
13	(I), $(III)$ , $(IV)$ , $(V)$ , $(VI)$ , $(VII)$ , $or$
14	(VIII); and
15	"(X) means any security agree-
16	ment or arrangement or other credit
17	enhancement related to any agreement
18	or transaction referred to in this
19	clause.".
20	(c) Definition of Commodity Contract.—Section
21	11(e)(8)(D)(iii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
22	$U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(8)(D)(iii))$ is amended to read as follows:
23	"(iii) Commodity contract.—The
24	term 'commoditu contract' means—

1	"(I) with respect to a futures com-
2	mission merchant, a contract for the
3	purchase or sale of a commodity for fu-
4	ture delivery on, or subject to the rules
5	of, a contract market or board of trade;
6	"(II) with respect to a foreign fu-
7	tures commission merchant, a foreign
8	future;
9	"(III) with respect to a leverage
10	transaction merchant, a leverage trans-
11	action;
12	"(IV) with respect to a clearing
13	organization, a contract for the pur-
14	chase or sale of a commodity for future
15	delivery on, or subject to the rules of,
16	a contract market or board of trade
17	that is cleared by such clearing organi-
18	zation, or commodity option traded on,
19	or subject to the rules of, a contract
20	market or board of trade that is
21	cleared by such clearing organization;
22	"(V) with respect to a commodity
23	options dealer, a commodity option;
24	"(VI) any other agreement or
25	transaction that is similar to any

1	agreement or transaction referred to in
2	this clause;
3	"(VII) any combination of the
4	agreements or transactions referred to
5	in this clause;
6	"(VIII) any option to enter into
7	any agreement or transaction referred
8	to in this clause;
9	"(IX) a master agreement that
10	provides for an agreement or trans-
11	action referred to in subclause (I), (II),
12	(III), (IV), (V), (VI), (VII), or (VIII),
13	together with all supplements to any
14	such master agreement, without regard
15	to whether the master agreement pro-
16	vides for an agreement or transaction
17	that is not a commodity contract
18	under this clause, except that the mas-
19	ter agreement shall be considered to be
20	a commodity contract under this clause
21	only with respect to each agreement or
22	transaction under the master agree-
23	ment that is referred to in subclause
24	(I), (II), (III), (IV), (V), (VI), (VII), or
25	(VIII); or

1	"(X) any security agreement or
2	arrangement or other credit enhance-
3	ment related to any agreement or
4	transaction referred to in this clause.".
5	(d) Definition of Forward Contract.—Section
6	11(e)(8)(D)(iv) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12)
7	$U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(8)(D)(iv))$ is amended to read as follows:
8	"(iv) Forward contract.—The term
9	'forward contract' means—
10	"(I) a contract (other than a com-
11	modity contract) for the purchase, sale,
12	or transfer of a commodity or any
13	similar good, article, service, right, or
14	interest which is presently or in the fu-
15	ture becomes the subject of dealing in
16	the forward contract trade, or product
17	or byproduct thereof, with a maturity
18	date more than 2 days after the date
19	the contract is entered into, including
20	a repurchase transaction, reverse re-
21	purchase transaction, consignment,
22	lease, swap, hedge transaction, deposit,
23	loan, option, allocated transaction,
24	unallocated transaction, or any other
25	$similar\ agreement;$

1	"(II) any combination of agree-
2	ments or transactions referred to in
3	subclauses (I) and (III);
4	"(III) any option to enter into
5	any agreement or transaction referred
6	to in subclause (I) or (II);
7	"(IV) a master agreement that
8	provides for an agreement or trans-
9	action referred to in subclause (I), (II),
10	or (III), together with all supplements
11	to any such master agreement, without
12	regard to whether the master agreement
13	provides for an agreement or trans-
14	action that is not a forward contract
15	under this clause, except that the mas-
16	ter agreement shall be considered to be
17	a forward contract under this clause
18	only with respect to each agreement or
19	transaction under the master agree-
20	ment that is referred to in subclause
21	(I), (II), or (III); or
22	"(V) any security agreement or
23	arrangement or other credit enhance-
24	ment related to any agreement or

1	transaction referred to in subclause (I),
2	(II), (III), or (IV).".
3	(e) Definition of Repurchase Agreement.—Sec-
4	tion 11(e)(8)(D)(v) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
5	(12 U.S.C. $1821(e)(8)(D)(v)$ ) is amended to read as follows:
6	"(v) Repurchase agreement.—The
7	term 'repurchase agreement' (which defini-
8	tion also applies to the term 'reverse repur-
9	chase agreement')—
10	"(I) means an agreement, includ-
11	ing related terms, which provides for
12	the transfer of 1 or more certificates of
13	deposit, mortgage-related securities (as
14	such term is defined in the Securities
15	Exchange Act of 1934), mortgage loans,
16	interests in mortgage-related securities
17	or mortgage loans, eligible bankers' ac-
18	ceptances, qualified foreign government
19	securities or securities that are direct
20	obligations of, or that are fully guaran-
21	teed by, the United States or any agen-
22	cy of the United States against the
23	transfer of funds by the transferee of
24	such certificates of deposit, eligible
25	bankers' acceptances, securities, loans,

1	or interests with a simultaneous agree-
2	ment by such transferee to transfer to
3	the transferor thereof certificates of de-
4	posit, eligible bankers' acceptances, se-
5	curities, loans, or interests as described
6	above, at a date certain not later than
7	1 year after such transfers or on de-
8	mand, against the transfer of funds, or
9	any other similar agreement;
10	"(II) does not include any repur-
11	chase obligation under a participation
12	in a commercial mortgage loan unless
13	the Corporation determines by regula-
14	tion, resolution, or order to include
15	any such participation within the
16	meaning of such term;
17	"(III) means any combination of
18	agreements or transactions referred to
19	in subclauses (I) and (IV);
20	"(IV) means any option to enter
21	into any agreement or transaction re-
22	ferred to in subclause (I) or (III);
23	"(V) means a master agreement
24	that provides for an agreement or
25	transaction referred to in subclause (I),

1	(III), or (IV), together with all supple-
2	ments to any such master agreement,
3	without regard to whether the master
4	agreement provides for an agreement
5	or transaction that is not a repurchase
6	agreement under this clause, except
7	that the master agreement shall be con-
8	sidered to be a repurchase agreement
9	under this subclause only with respect
10	to each agreement or transaction under
11	the master agreement that is referred to
12	in subclause (I), (III), or (IV); and
13	"(VI) means any security agree-
14	ment or arrangement or other credit
15	enhancement related to any agreement
16	or transaction referred to in subclause
17	(I), (III), (IV), or (V).
18	For purposes of this clause, the term 'quali-
19	fied foreign government security' means a
20	security that is a direct obligation of, or
21	that is fully guaranteed by, the central gov-
22	ernment of a member of the Organization
23	for Economic Cooperation and Development
24	(as determined by regulation or order

1	adopted by the appropriate Federal banking
2	authority).".
3	(f) Definition of Swap Agreement.—Section
4	11(e)(8)(D)(vi) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12)
5	$U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(8)(D)(vi))$ is amended to read as follows:
6	"(vi) Swap agreement.—The term
7	'swap agreement' means—
8	"(I) any agreement, including the
9	terms and conditions incorporated by
10	reference in any such agreement, which
11	is an interest rate swap, option, future,
12	or forward agreement, including a rate
13	floor, rate cap, rate collar, cross-cur-
14	rency rate swap, and basis swap; a
15	spot, same day-tomorrow, tomorrow-
16	next, forward, or other foreign ex-
17	change or precious metals agreement; a
18	currency swap, option, future, or for-
19	ward agreement; an equity index or eq-
20	uity swap, option, future, or forward
21	agreement; a debt index or debt swap,
22	option, future, or forward agreement; a
23	credit spread or credit swap, option,
24	future, or forward agreement; a com-
25	modity index or commodity swap, op-

1	tion, future, or forward agreement; or
2	a weather swap, weather derivative, or
3	a weather option;
4	"(II) any agreement or trans-
5	action similar to any other agreement
6	or transaction referred to in this clause
7	that is presently, or in the future be-
8	comes, regularly entered into in the
9	swap market (including terms and
10	conditions incorporated by reference in
11	such agreement) and that is a forward,
12	swap, future, or option on 1 or more
13	rates, currencies, commodities, equity
14	securities or other equity instruments,
15	debt securities or other debt instru-
16	ments, or economic indices or measures
17	of economic risk or value;
18	"(III) any combination of agree-
19	ments or transactions referred to in
20	this clause;
21	"(IV) any option to enter into
22	any agreement or transaction referred
23	to in this clause;
24	"(V) a master agreement that pro-
25	vides for an agreement or transaction

1 referred to in subclause (I), (II), (III), 2 or (IV), together with all supplements 3 to any such master agreement, without 4 regard to whether the master agreement 5 contains an agreement or transaction 6 that is not a swap agreement under 7 this clause, except that the master 8 agreement shall be considered to be a 9 swap agreement under this clause only 10 with respect to each agreement or 11 transaction under the master agree-12 ment that is referred to in subclause 13 (I), (II), (III), or (IV); and 14 "(VI) any security agreement or arrangement or other credit enhance-15 16 ment related to any agreements or 17 transactions referred to in subpara-18 graph (I), (II), (III), (IV), or (V). 19 Such term is applicable for purposes of this 20 title only and shall not be construed or ap-21 plied so as to challenge or affect the charac-22 terization, definition, or treatment of any 23 swap agreement under any other statute, 24 regulation, or rule, including the Securities 25 Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of

1	1934, the Public Utility Holding Company
2	Act of 1935, the Trust Indenture Act of
3	1939, the Investment Company Act of 1940,
4	the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Se-
5	curities Investor Protection Act of 1970, the
6	Commodity Exchange Act, and the regula-
7	tions promulgated by the Securities and Ex-
8	change Commission or the Commodity Fu-
9	tures Trading Commission.".
10	(g) Definition of Transfer.—Section
11	11(e)(8)(D)(viii) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
12	$U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(8)(D)(viii))$ is amended to read as follows:
13	"(viii) Transfer.—The term 'trans-
14	fer' means every mode, direct or indirect,
15	absolute or conditional, voluntary or invol-
16	untary, of disposing of or parting with
17	property or with an interest in property,
18	including retention of title as a security in-
19	terest and foreclosure of the depository
20	institutions's equity of redemption.".
21	(h) Treatment of Qualified Financial Con-
22	TRACTS.—Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal Deposit Insurance
23	Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)) is amended—
24	(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking "paragraph
25	(10)" and inserting "paragraphs (9) and (10)":

1	(2) in subparagraph $(A)(i)$ , by striking "to cause
2	the termination or liquidation" and inserting "such
3	person has to cause the termination, liquidation, or
4	acceleration";
5	(3) by amending subparagraph $(A)(ii)$ to read as
6	follows:
7	"(ii) any right under any security
8	agreement or arrangement or other credit
9	enhancement related to 1 or more qualified
10	financial contracts described in clause (i);";
11	and
12	(4) by amending subparagraph $(E)(ii)$ to read
13	as follows:
14	"(ii) any right under any security
15	agreement or arrangement or other credit
16	enhancement related to 1 or more qualified
17	financial contracts described in clause (i);".
18	(i) Avoidance of Transfers.—Section
19	11(e)(8)(C)(i) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12)
20	$U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(8)(C)(i))$ is amended by inserting "section
21	5242 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (12 U.S.C.
22	91) or any other Federal or State law relating to the avoid-
23	ance of preferential or fraudulent transfers," before "the
24	Corporation".

1	SEC. 3. AUTHORITY OF THE CORPORATION WITH RESPECT
2	TO FAILED AND FAILING INSTITUTIONS.
3	(a) In General.—Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal De-
4	posit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)) is amended—
5	(1) in subparagraph (E), by striking "other than
6	paragraph (12) of this subsection, subsection (d)(9)"
7	and inserting "other than subsections $(d)(9)$ and
8	(e)(10)"; and
9	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
10	paragraphs:
11	"(F) Clarification.—No provision of law
12	shall be construed as limiting the right or power
13	of the Corporation, or authorizing any court or
14	agency to limit or delay, in any manner, the
15	right or power of the Corporation to transfer any
16	qualified financial contract in accordance with
17	paragraphs (9) and (10) of this subsection or to
18	disaffirm or repudiate any such contract in ac-
19	cordance with paragraph (1).
20	"(G) Walkaway clauses not effec-
21	TIVE.—
22	"(i) In General.—Notwithstanding
23	the provisions of subparagraphs (A) and
24	(E), and sections 403 and 404 of the Fed-
25	eral Deposit Insurance Corporation Im-
26	provement Act of 1991, no walkaway clause

1 shall be enforceable in a qualified financial 2 contract of an insured depository institu-3 tion in default. "(ii) Walkaway clause defined.— For purposes of this subparagraph, the term 6 'walkaway clause' means a provision in a 7 qualified financial contract that, after cal-8 culation of a value of a party's position or 9 an amount due to or from 1 of the parties in accordance with its terms upon termi-10 11 nation, liquidation, or acceleration of the 12 qualified financial contract, either does not 13 create a payment obligation of a party or 14 extinguishes a payment obligation of a 15 party in whole or in part solely because of 16 such party's status as a nondefaulting 17 party.". 18 (b) Technical and Conforming Amendment.—Sec-19 tion 11(e)(12)(A) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12) 20  $U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(12)(A)$ ) is amended by inserting "or the ex-21 ercise of rights or powers" after "the appointment". 22 SEC. 4. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO TRANSFERS OF QUALI-23 FIED FINANCIAL CONTRACTS. 24 (a) Transfers of Qualified Financial Contracts

TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.—Section 11(e)(9) of the Fed-

1	$eral\ Deposit\ Insurance\ Act\ (12\ U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(9))$ is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	"(9) Transfer of qualified financial con-
4	TRACTS.—
5	"(A) In general.—In making any transfer
6	of assets or liabilities of a depository institution
7	in default which includes any qualified financial
8	contract, the conservator or receiver for such de-
9	pository institution shall either—
10	"(i) transfer to 1 financial institution,
11	other than a financial institution for which
12	a conservator, receiver, trustee in bank-
13	ruptcy, or other legal custodian has been
14	appointed or which is otherwise the subject
15	of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding—
16	"(I) all qualified financial con-
17	tracts between any person or any affil-
18	iate of such person and the depository
19	$institution\ in\ default;$
20	"(II) all claims of such person or
21	any affiliate of such person against
22	such depository institution under any
23	such contract (other than any claim
24	which, under the terms of any such
25	contract, is subordinated to the claims

1	of general unsecured creditors of such
2	institution);
3	"(III) all claims of such deposi-
4	tory institution against such person or
5	any affiliate of such person under any
6	such contract; and
7	"(IV) all property securing or any
8	other credit enhancement for any con-
9	tract described in subclause (I) or any
10	claim described in subclause (II) or
11	(III) under any such contract; or
12	"(ii) transfer none of the qualified fi-
13	nancial contracts, claims, property or other
14	credit enhancement referred to in clause (i)
15	(with respect to such person and any affil-
16	iate of such person).
17	"(B) Transfer to foreign bank, for-
18	EIGN FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, OR BRANCH OR
19	AGENCY OF A FOREIGN BANK OR FINANCIAL IN-
20	STITUTION.—In transferring any qualified fi-
21	nancial contracts and related claims and prop-
22	erty pursuant to subparagraph (A)(i), the con-
23	servator or receiver for such depository institu-
24	tion shall not make such transfer to a foreign
25	bank, financial institution organized under the

laws of a foreign country, or a branch or agency of a foreign bank or financial institution unless, under the law applicable to such bank, financial institution, branch or agency, to the qualified financial contracts, and to any netting contract, any security agreement or arrangement or other credit enhancement related to 1 or more qualified financial contracts, the contractual rights of the parties to such qualified financial contracts, netting contracts, security agreements or arrangements, or other credit enhancements are enforceable substantially to the same extent as permitted under this section.

"(C) Transfer of contracts subject to
The rules of a clearing organization.—In
the event that a conservator or receiver transfers
any qualified financial contract and related
claims, property and credit enhancements pursuant to subparagraph (A)(i) and such contract is
subject to the rules of a clearing organization,
the clearing organization shall not be required to
accept the transferee as a member by virtue of
the transfer.

"(D) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the term 'financial institution' means a

1	broker or dealer, a depository institution, a fu-
2	tures commission merchant, or any other institu-
3	tion as determined by the Corporation by regula-
4	tion to be a financial institution.".
5	(b) Notice to Qualified Financial Contract
6	Counterparties.—Section 11(e)(10)(A) of the Federal
7	Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(10)(A)) is
8	amended by amending the flush material following clause
9	(ii) to read as follows: "the conservator or receiver shall no-
10	tify any person who is a party to any such contract of such
11	transfer by 5:00 p.m. (eastern time) on the business day
12	following the date of the appointment of the receiver, in the
13	case of a receivership, or the business day following such
14	transfer, in the case of a conservatorship.".
15	(c) Rights Against Receiver and Treatment of
16	Bridge Banks.—Section 11(e)(10) of the Federal Deposit
17	Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(10)) is further
18	amended—
19	(1) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as sub-
20	paragraph (D); and
21	(2) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the fol-
22	lowing new subparagraphs:
23	"(B) Certain rights not enforce-
24	ABLE.—

1	"(i) Receivership.—A person who is
2	a party to a qualified financial contract
3	with an insured depository institution may
4	not exercise any right such person has to
5	terminate, liquidate, or net such contract
6	under paragraph (8)(A) or section 403 or
7	404 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Cor-
8	poration Improvement Act of 1991 solely by
9	reason of or incidental to the appointment
10	of a receiver for the depository institution
11	(or the insolvency or financial condition of
12	the depository institution for which the re-
13	ceiver has been appointed)—
14	"(I) until 5:00 p.m. (eastern time)
15	on the business day following the date
16	of the appointment of the receiver; or
17	"(II) after the person has received
18	notice that the contract has been trans-
19	ferred pursuant to paragraph $(9)(A)$ .
20	"(ii) Conservatorship.—A person
21	who is a party to a qualified financial con-
22	tract with an insured depository institution
23	may not exercise any right such person has
24	to terminate, liquidate, or net such contract
25	under naragraph (8)(E) or section 403 or

1	404 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Cor-
2	poration Improvement Act of 1991, solely
3	by reason of or incidental to the appoint-
4	ment of a conservator for the depository in-
5	stitution (or the insolvency or financial
6	condition of the depository institution for
7	which the conservator has been appointed).
8	"(iii) Notice.—For purposes of this
9	subsection, the Corporation as receiver or
10	conservator of an insured depository insti-
11	tution shall be deemed to have notified a
12	person who is a party to a qualified finan-
13	cial contract with such depository institu-
14	tion if the Corporation has taken steps rea-
15	sonably calculated to provide notice to such
16	person by the time specified in subpara-
17	graph (A) of this subsection.
18	"(C) Treatment of bridge banks.—The
19	following institutions shall not be considered a
20	financial institution for which a conservator, re-
21	ceiver, trustee in bankruptcy, or other legal cus-
22	todian has been appointed or which is otherwise
23	the subject of a bankruptcy or insolvency pro-
24	ceeding for purposes of paragraph (9)—
25	"(i) a bridge bank; or

1	"(ii) a depository institution organized
2	by the Corporation, for which a conservator
3	is appointed either—
4	"(I) immediately upon the organi-
5	zation of the institution; or
6	"(II) at the time of a purchase
7	and assumption transaction between
8	such institution and the Corporation
9	as receiver for a depository institution
10	in default.".
11	SEC. 5. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO DISAFFIRMANCE OR
12	REPUDIATION OF QUALIFIED FINANCIAL
13	CONTRACTS.
14	(a) In General.—Section 11(e) of the Federal Deposit
15	Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)) is further amended—
16	(1) by redesignating paragraphs (11) through
17	(15) as paragraphs (12) through (16), respectively;
18	and
19	(2) by inserting after paragraph (10) the fol-
20	lowing new paragraph:
21	"(11) Disaffirmance or repudiation of
22	QUALIFIED FINANCIAL CONTRACTS.—In exercising the
23	rights of disaffirmance or repudiation of a conser-
24	vator or receiver with respect to any qualified finan-
25	cial contract to which an insured depository institu-

1	tion is a party, the conservator or receiver for such
2	institution shall either—
3	"(A) disaffirm or repudiate all qualified fi-
4	nancial contracts between—
5	"(i) any person or any affiliate of such
6	person; and
7	"(ii) the depository institution in de-
8	fault; or
9	"(B) disaffirm or repudiate none of the
10	qualified financial contracts referred to in sub-
11	paragraph (A) (with respect to such person or
12	any affiliate of such person).".
13	(b) Technical and Conforming Amendments.—
14	Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12
15	$U.S.C.\ 1821(e)(8)),\ as\ amended\ by\ section\ 2(i),\ is\ further$
16	amended in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking "(11)" and
17	inserting "(12)".
18	SEC. 6. CLARIFYING AMENDMENT RELATING TO MASTER
19	AGREEMENTS.
20	Section 11(e)(8)(D)(vii) of the Federal Deposit Insur-
21	ance Act (12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)(D)(vii)) is amended to read
22	as follows:
23	"(vii) Treatment of master agree-
24	MENT AS 1 AGREEMENT.—Any master
25	agreement for any contract or agreement de-

1	scribed in any preceding clause of this sub-
2	paragraph (or any master agreement for
3	such master agreement or agreements), to-
4	gether with all supplements to such master
5	agreement, shall be treated as a single
6	agreement and a single qualified financial
7	contract. If a master agreement contains
8	provisions relating to agreements or trans-
9	actions that are not themselves qualified fi-
10	nancial contracts, the master agreement
11	shall be deemed to be a qualified financial
12	contract only with respect to those trans-
13	actions that are themselves qualified finan-
14	$cial\ contracts.".$
15	SEC. 7. FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION IM-
16	PROVEMENT ACT OF 1991.
17	(a) Definitions.—Section 402 of the Federal Deposit
18	Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C.
19	4402) is amended—
20	(1) in paragraph (2)—
21	(A) by inserting "or exempt from such reg-
22	istration pursuant to an order of the Securities
23	and Exchange Commission" before the semicolon
24	at the end of subparagraph $(A)(ii)$ : and

1	(B) by inserting "or that has been granted
2	an exemption pursuant to section $4(c)(1)$ of such
3	Act" before the period at the end of subpara-
4	graph(B);
5	(2) in paragraph (6)—
6	(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)
7	through (D) as subparagraphs (C) through (E),
8	respectively;
9	(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A) the
10	following new subparagraph:
11	"(B) an uninsured national bank or an un-
12	insured State bank that is a member of the Fed-
13	eral Reserve System if the national bank or
14	State member bank is not eligible to make appli-
15	cation to become an insured bank under section
16	5 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;"; and
17	(C) by amending subparagraph (C) (as re-
18	designated) to read as follows:
19	"(C) a branch or agency of a foreign bank,
20	a foreign bank and any branch or agency of the
21	foreign bank, or the foreign bank that established
22	the branch or agency, as those terms are defined
23	in section 1(b) of the International Banking Act
24	of 1978;";

1	(3) in paragraph (11), by adding before the pe-
2	riod "and any other clearing organization with which
3	such clearing organization has a netting contract";
4	(4) by amending paragraph (14)(A)(i) to read as
5	follows:
6	"(i) means a contract or agreement be-
7	tween two or more financial institutions,
8	clearing organizations, or members that
9	provides for netting present or future pay-
10	ment obligations or payment entitlements
11	(including liquidation or closeout values re-
12	lating to such obligations or entitlements)
13	among the parties to the agreement; and";
14	and
15	(5) by adding at the end the following new para-
16	graph:
17	"(15) Payment.—The term 'payment' means a
18	payment of United States dollars, another currency,
19	or a composite currency, and a noncash delivery, in-
20	cluding a payment or delivery to liquidate an
21	unmatured obligation.".
22	(b) Enforceability of Bilateral Netting Con-
23	TRACTS.—Section 403 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
24	Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 4403) is
25	amended—

- 1 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
- 2 lows:
- 3 "(a) General Rule.—Notwithstanding any other
- 4 provision of State or Federal law (other than paragraphs
- 5 (8)(E), (8)(F), and (10)(B) of section 11(e) of the Federal
- 6 Deposit Insurance Act or any order authorized under sec-
- 7 tion 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor Protection Act of
- 8 1970), the covered contractual payment obligations and the
- 9 covered contractual payment entitlements between any two
- 10 financial institutions shall be netted in accordance with,
- 11 and subject to the conditions of, the terms of any applicable
- 12 netting contract (except as provided in section 561(b)(2) of
- 13 title 11, United States Code)."; and
- 14 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 15 section:
- 16 "(f) Enforceability of Security Agreements.—
- 17 The provisions of any security agreement or arrangement
- 18 or other credit enhancement related to 1 or more netting
- 19 contracts between any two financial institutions shall be
- 20 enforceable in accordance with their terms (except as pro-
- 21 vided in section 561(b)(2) of title 11, United States Code)
- 22 and shall not be stayed, avoided, or otherwise limited by
- 23 any State or Federal law (other than paragraphs (8)(E),
- 24 (8)(F), and (10)(B) of section 11(e) of the Federal Deposit

- 1 Insurance Act and section 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor
- 2 Protection Act of 1970).".
- 3 (c) Enforceability of Clearing Organization
- 4 Netting Contracts.—Section 404 of the Federal Deposit
- 5 Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C.
- 6 4404) is amended—
- 7 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
- 8 lows:
- 9 "(a) General Rule.—Notwithstanding any other
- 10 provision of State or Federal law (other than paragraphs
- 11 (8)(E), (8)(F), and (10)(B) of section 11(e) of the Federal
- 12 Deposit Insurance Act and any order authorized under sec-
- 13 tion 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor Protection Act of
- 14 1970), the covered contractual payment obligations and the
- 15 covered contractual payment entitlements of a member of
- 16 a clearing organization to and from all other members of
- 17 a clearing organization shall be netted in accordance with
- 18 and subject to the conditions of any applicable netting con-
- 19 tract (except as provided in section 561(b)(2) of title 11,
- 20 United States Code)."; and
- 21 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
- 22 section:
- 23 "(h) Enforceability of Security Agreements.—
- 24 The provisions of any security agreement or arrangement
- 25 or other credit enhancement related to 1 or more netting

- 1 contracts between any two members of a clearing organiza-
- 2 tion shall be enforceable in accordance with their terms (ex-
- 3 cept as provided in section 561(b)(2) of title 11, United
- 4 States Code) and shall not be stayed, avoided, or otherwise
- 5 limited by any State or Federal law (other than paragraphs
- 6 (8)(E), (8)(F), and (10)(B) of section 11(e) of the Federal
- 7 Deposit Insurance Act and section 5(b)(2) of the Securities
- 8 Investor Protection Act of 1970).".
- 9 (d) Enforceability of Contracts With Unin-
- 10 Sured National Banks and Uninsured Federal
- 11 Branches and Agencies.—The Federal Deposit Insur-
- 12 ance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (12 U.S.C. 4401
- 13 et seq.) is amended—
- 14 (1) by redesignating section 407 as section 407A;
- 15 *and*
- 16 (2) by adding after section 406 the following new
- 17 *section*:
- 18 "SEC. 407. TREATMENT OF CONTRACTS WITH UNINSURED
- 19 NATIONAL BANKS AND UNINSURED FEDERAL
- 20 BRANCHES AND AGENCIES.
- 21 "(a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
- 22 sion of law, paragraphs (8), (9), (10), and (11) of section
- 23 11(e) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act shall apply to
- 24 an uninsured national bank or uninsured Federal branch
- 25 or Federal agency except—

1	"(1) any reference to the Corporation as re-
2	ceiver' or 'the receiver or the Corporation' shall refer
3	to the receiver of an uninsured national bank or un-
4	insured Federal branch or Federal agency appointed
5	by the Comptroller of the Currency;
6	"(2) any reference to the 'Corporation' (other
7	than in section $11(e)(8)(D)$ of such $Act$ ), the 'Corpora-
8	tion, whether acting as such or as conservator or re-
9	ceiver', a 'receiver', or a 'conservator' shall refer to the
10	receiver or conservator of an uninsured national bank
11	or uninsured Federal branch or Federal agency ap-
12	pointed by the Comptroller of the Currency; and
13	"(3) any reference to an 'insured depository in-
14	stitution' or 'depository institution' shall refer to an
15	uninsured national bank or an uninsured Federal
16	branch or Federal agency.
17	"(b) Liability.—The liability of a receiver or conser-
18	vator of an uninsured national bank or uninsured Federal
19	branch or agency shall be determined in the same manner
20	and subject to the same limitations that apply to receivers
21	and conservators of insured depository institutions under
22	section 11(e) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.
23	"(c) Regulatory Authority.—
24	"(1) In General.—The Comptroller of the Cur-

rency, in consultation with the Federal Deposit In-

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1	surance Corporation, may promulgate regulations to
2	implement this section.
3	"(2) Specific requirement.—In promulgating
4	regulations to implement this section, the Comptroller
5	of the Currency shall ensure that the regulations gen-
6	erally are consistent with the regulations and policies
7	of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation adopted
8	pursuant to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act.
9	"(d) Definitions.—For purposes of this section, the
10	terms 'Federal branch', 'Federal agency', and 'foreign bank'
11	have the same meaning as in section 1(b) of the Inter-
12	national Banking Act.".
13	SEC. 8. BANKRUPTCY CODE AMENDMENTS.
14	(a) Definitions of Forward Contract, Repur-
15	CHASE AGREEMENT, SECURITIES CLEARING AGENCY, SWAP
16	AGREEMENT, COMMODITY CONTRACT, AND SECURITIES
17	Contract.—Title 11, United States Code, is amended—
18	(1) in section 101—
19	(A) in paragraph (25)—
20	(i) by striking "means a contract" and
21	inserting "means—
22	"(A) a contract";
23	(ii) by striking ", or any combination
24	thereof or option thereon;" and inserting ",
25	or any other similar agreement;"; and

1	(iii) by adding at the end the fol-
2	lowing:
3	"(B) any combination of agreements or
4	transactions referred to in subparagraphs (A)
5	and $(C)$ ;
6	"(C) any option to enter into an agreement
7	or transaction referred to in subparagraph (A)
8	or (B);
9	"(D) a master agreement that provides for
10	an agreement or transaction referred to in sub-
11	paragraph (A), (B), or (C), together with all
12	supplements to any such master agreement, with-
13	out regard to whether such master agreement
14	provides for an agreement or transaction that is
15	not a forward contract under this paragraph, ex-
16	cept that such master agreement shall be consid-
17	ered to be a forward contract under this para-
18	graph only with respect to each agreement or
19	transaction under such master agreement that is
20	referred to in subparagraph (A), (B) or (C); or
21	"(E) any security agreement or arrange-
22	ment, or other credit enhancement related to any
23	agreement or transaction referred to in subpara-
24	graph (A), (B), (C), or (D), but not to exceed the

1	actual value of such contract on the date of the
2	filing of the petition;";
3	(B) in paragraph (46), by striking "on any
4	day during the period beginning 90 days before
5	the date of" and inserting "at any time before";
6	(C) by amending paragraph (47) to read as
7	follows:
8	"(47) 'repurchase agreement' (which definition
9	also applies to a 'reverse repurchase agreement')—
10	"(A) means—
11	"(i) an agreement, including related
12	terms, which provides for the transfer of 1
13	or more certificates of deposit, mortgage-re-
14	lated securities (as defined in the Securities
15	Exchange Act of 1934), mortgage loans, in-
16	terests in mortgage-related securities or
17	mortgage loans, eligible bankers' accept-
18	ances, qualified foreign government securi-
19	ties, or securities that are direct obligations
20	of, or that are fully guaranteed by, the
21	United States or any agency of the United
22	States against the transfer of funds by the
23	transferee of such certificates of deposit, eli-
24	gible bankers' acceptances, securities, loans,
25	or interests, with a simultaneous agreement

1 by such transferee to transfer to the trans-2 feror thereof certificates of deposit, eligible 3 bankers' acceptance, securities, loans, or interests of the kind described above, at a date certain not later than 1 year after such 6 transfer or on demand, against the transfer 7 of funds; 8 "(ii) any combination of agreements or transactions referred to in clauses (i) and 9 10 (iii);11 "(iii) an option to enter into an agree-12 ment or transaction referred to in clause (i) 13 or (ii): 14 "(iv) a master agreement that provides 15 for an agreement or transaction referred to 16 in clause (i), (ii), or (iii), together with all 17 supplements to any such master agreement, 18 without regard to whether such master 19 agreement provides for an agreement or 20 transaction that is not a repurchase agree-21 ment under this paragraph, except that 22 such master agreement shall be considered 23 to be a repurchase agreement under this 24 paragraph only with respect to each agree-25 ment or transaction under the master agree-

1	ment that is referred to in clause (i), (ii),
2	or (iii); or
3	"(v) any security agreement or ar-
4	rangement or other credit enhancement re-
5	lated to any agreement or transaction re-
6	ferred to in clause (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv), but
7	not to exceed the actual value of such con-
8	tract on the date of the filing of the petition;
9	and
10	"(B) does not include a repurchase obliga-
11	tion under a participation in a commercial
12	$mortgage\ loan,$
13	and, for purposes of this paragraph, the term 'quali-
14	fied foreign government security' means a security
15	that is a direct obligation of, or that is fully guaran-
16	teed by, the central government of a member of the
17	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Develop-
18	ment;";
19	(D) in paragraph (48) by inserting "or ex-
20	empt from such registration under such section
21	pursuant to an order of the Securities and Ex-
22	change Commission" after "1934"; and
23	(E) by amending paragraph (53B) to read
24	as follows:
25	"(53B) 'swap agreement'—

1	"(A) means—
2	"(i) any agreement, including the
3	terms and conditions incorporated by ref-
4	erence in such agreement, which is an inter-
5	est rate swap, option, future, or forward
6	agreement, including a rate floor, rate cap,
7	rate collar, cross-currency rate swap, and
8	basis swap; a spot, same day-tomorrow, to-
9	morrow-next, forward, or other foreign ex-
10	change or precious metals agreement; a cur-
11	rency swap, option, future, or forward
12	agreement; an equity index or an equity
13	swap, option, future, or forward agreement;
14	a debt index or a debt swap, option, future,
15	or forward agreement; a credit spread or a
16	credit swap, option, future, or forward
17	agreement; a commodity index or a com-
18	modity swap, option, future, or forward
19	agreement; or a weather swap, weather de-
20	rivative, or weather option;
21	"(ii) any agreement or transaction
22	similar to any other agreement or trans-
23	action referred to in this paragraph that—
24	"(I) is presently, or in the future
25	becomes, regularly entered into in the

1	swap market (including terms and
2	conditions incorporated by reference
3	therein); and
4	"(II) is a forward, swap, future,
5	or option on 1 or more rates, cur-
6	rencies, commodities, equity securities,
7	or other equity instruments, debt secu-
8	rities or other debt instruments, or eco-
9	nomic indices or measures of economic
10	risk or value;
11	"(iii) any combination of agreements
12	or transactions referred to in this para-
13	graph;
14	"(iv) any option to enter into an
15	agreement or transaction referred to in this
16	paragraph;
17	"(v) a master agreement that provides
18	for an agreement or transaction referred to
19	in clause (i), (ii), (iii), or (iv), together
20	with all supplements to any such master
21	agreement, and without regard to whether
22	the master agreement contains an agree-
23	ment or transaction that is not a swap
24	agreement under this paragraph, except
25	that the master agreement shall be consid-

ered to be a swap agreement under this

paragraph only with respect to each agree
ment or transaction under the master agree
ment that is referred to in clause (i), (ii),

(iii), or (iv); or

"(B) any security agreement or arrangement or other credit enhancement related to any agreements or transactions referred to in subparagraph (A), but not to exceed the actual value of such contract on the date of the filing of the petition; and

"(C) is applicable for purposes of this title only and shall not be construed or applied so as to challenge or affect the characterization, definition, or treatment of any swap agreement under any other statute, regulation, or rule, including the Securities Act of 1933, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, the Investment Company Act of 1940, the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970, the Commodity Exchange Act, and the regulations prescribed by the Securities and Exchange Commis-

1	sion or the Commodity Futures Trading Com-
2	mission.";
3	(2) by amending section 741(7) to read as fol-
4	lows:
5	"(7) 'securities contract'—
6	"(A) means—
7	"(i) a contract for the purchase, sale,
8	or loan of a security, a certificate of deposit,
9	a mortgage loan or any interest in a mort-
10	gage loan, a group or index of securities,
11	certificates of deposit or mortgage loans or
12	interests therein (including an interest
13	therein or based on the value thereof), or op-
14	tion on any of the foregoing, including an
15	option to purchase or sell any such security,
16	certificate of deposit, loan, interest, group or
17	index, or option;
18	"(ii) any option entered into on a na-
19	tional securities exchange relating to foreign
20	currencies;
21	"(iii) the guarantee by or to any secu-
22	rities clearing agency of a settlement of
23	cash, securities, certificates of deposit, mort-
24	gage loans or interests therein, group or
25	index of securities, or mortgage loans or in-

1	terests therein (including any interest there-
2	in or based on the value thereof), or option
3	on any of the foregoing, including an option
4	to purchase or sell any such security, cer-
5	tificate of deposit, loan, interest, group or
6	index, or option;
7	"(iv) any margin loan;
8	"(v) any other agreement or trans-
9	action that is similar to an agreement or
10	transaction referred to in this paragraph;
11	"(vi) any combination of the agree-
12	ments or transactions referred to in this
13	paragraph;
14	"(vii) any option to enter into any
15	agreement or transaction referred to in this
16	paragraph;
17	"(viii) a master agreement that pro-
18	vides for an agreement or transaction re-
19	ferred to in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v),
20	(vi), or (vii), together with all supplements
21	to any such master agreement, without re-
22	gard to whether the master agreement pro-
23	vides for an agreement or transaction that
24	is not a securities contract under this para-
25	graph, except that such master agreement

1	shall be considered to be a securities con-
2	tract under this paragraph only with re-
3	spect to each agreement or transaction
4	under such master agreement that is re-
5	ferred to in clause (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v),
6	(vi), or (vii); or
7	"(ix) any security agreement or ar-
8	rangement or other credit enhancement re-
9	lated to any agreement or transaction re-
10	ferred to in this paragraph, but not to ex-
11	ceed the actual value of such contract on the
12	date of the filing of the petition; and
13	"(B) does not include any purchase, sale, or
14	repurchase obligation under a participation in a
15	commercial mortgage loan."; and
16	(3) in section 761(4)—
17	(A) by striking "or" at the end of subpara-
18	graph(D); and
19	(B) by adding at the end the following:
20	"(F) any other agreement or transaction
21	that is similar to an agreement or transaction
22	referred to in this paragraph;
23	"(G) any combination of the agreements or
24	transactions referred to in this paragraph:

1 "(H) any option to enter into an agreement 2 or transaction referred to in this paragraph; "(I) a master agreement that provides for 3 4 an agreement or transaction referred to in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), or 5 6 (H), together with all supplements to such mas-7 ter agreement, without regard to whether the 8 master agreement provides for an agreement or 9 transaction that is not a commodity contract 10 under this paragraph, except that the master 11 agreement shall be considered to be a commodity 12 contract under this paragraph only with respect 13 to each agreement or transaction under the mas-14 ter agreement that is referred to in subparagraph 15 (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G), or (H); or"(J) any security agreement or arrange-16 17 ment or other credit enhancement related to any 18 agreement or transaction referred to in this 19 paragraph, but not to exceed the actual value of 20 such contract on the date of the filing of the peti-21 tion:". 22 (b) Definitions of Financial Institution, Finan-23 CIAL PARTICIPANT, AND FORWARD CONTRACT MER-CHANT.—Section 101 of title 11, United States Code, is amended— 25

1	(1) by striking paragraph (22) and inserting the
2	following new paragraph:
3	"(22) the term 'financial institution'—
4	"(A) means a Federal reserve bank or an
5	entity (domestic or foreign) that is a commercial
6	or savings bank, industrial savings bank, savings
7	and loan association, trust company, a bank or
8	a corporation organized under section 25A of the
9	Federal Reserve Act and, when any such bank or
10	entity is acting as agent or custodian for a cus-
11	tomer in connection with a securities contract,
12	as defined in section 741, such customer; and
13	"(B) includes any person described in sub-
14	paragraph (A) which operates, or operates as, a
15	multilateral clearing organization pursuant to
16	section 409 of the Federal Deposit Insurance
17	Corporation Improvement Act of 1991;";
18	(2) by inserting after paragraph (22) the fol-
19	lowing:
20	"(22A) 'financial participant' means an entity
21	that, at the time it enters into a securities contract,
22	commodity contract or forward contract, or at the
23	time of the filing of the petition, has 1 or more agree-
24	ments or transactions described in paragraph (1), (2),
25	(3), (4), (5), or (6) of section 561(a) with the debtor

- 1 or any other entity (other than an affiliate) of a total 2 gross dollar value of at least \$1,000,000,000 in no-3 tional or actual principal amount outstanding on 4 any day during the previous 15-month period, or has 5 mark-to-market positions gross of at6 \$100,000,000 (aggregated across counterparties) in 1 7 or more such agreement or transaction with the debt-8 or or any other entity (other than an affiliate) on 9 any day during the previous 15-month period;"; and 10 (3) by amending paragraph (26) to read as fol-11 lows:
  - "(26) 'forward contract merchant' means a Federal reserve bank, or an entity whose business consists in whole or in part of entering into forward contracts as or with merchants or in a commodity, as defined or in section 761, or any similar good, article, service, right, or interest which is presently or in the future becomes the subject of dealing or in the forward contract trade;".
- 20 (c) Definition of Master Netting Agreement 21 and Master Netting Agreement Participant.—Sec-22 tion 101 of title 11, United States Code, is amended by in-23 serting after paragraph (38) the following new paragraphs:
- 24 "(38A) 'master netting agreement' means an 25 agreement providing for the exercise of rights, includ-

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- 1 ing rights of netting, setoff, liquidation, termination, 2 acceleration, or closeout, under or in connection with 1 or more contracts that are described in any 1 or 3 more of paragraphs (1) through (5) of section 561(a), 5 or any security agreement or arrangement or other 6 credit enhancement related to 1 or more of the fore-7 going. If a master netting agreement contains provi-8 sions relating to agreements or transactions that are 9 not contracts described in paragraphs (1) through (5) 10 of section 561(a), the master netting agreement shall 11 be deemed to be a master netting agreement only with 12 respect to those agreements or transactions that are 13 described in any 1 or more of the paragraphs (1) 14 through (5) of section 561(a); 15 "(38B) 'master netting agreement participant' 16 means an entity that, at any time before the filing of 17 the petition, is a party to an outstanding master net-18 ting agreement with the debtor;". 19 (d) SWAP AGREEMENTS, SECURITIES CONTRACTS, 20 Commodity Contracts, Forward Contracts, Repur-
- 22 Under the Automatic-Stay.—
- 23 (1) In General.—Section 362(b) of title 11,

CHASE AGREEMENTS, AND MASTER NETTING AGREEMENTS

24 United States Code, is amended—

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1	(A) in paragraph (6), by inserting ",
2	pledged to and under the control of," after "held
3	by";
4	(B) in paragraph (7), by inserting ",
5	pledged to and under the control of," after "held
6	by";
7	(C) by amending paragraph (17) to read as
8	follows:
9	"(17) under subsection (a), of the setoff by a
10	swap participant of a mutual debt and claim under
11	or in connection with 1 or more swap agreements that
12	constitutes the setoff of a claim against the debtor for
13	any payment or other transfer of property due from
14	the debtor under or in connection with any swap
15	agreement against any payment due to the debtor
16	from the swap participant under or in connection
17	with any swap agreement or against cash, securities,
18	or other property held by, pledged to and under the
19	control of, or due from such swap participant to mar-
20	gin, guarantee, secure, or settle any swap agree-
21	ment;";
22	(D) in paragraph (18) by striking the pe-
23	riod at the end and inserting "; or"; and
24	(E) by inserting after paragraph (18) the
25	following new paragraph:

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"(19) under subsection (a), of the setoff by a master netting agreement participant of a mutual debt and claim under or in connection with 1 or more master netting agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements that constitutes the setoff of a claim against the debtor for any payment or other transfer of property due from the debtor under or in connection with such agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements against any payment due to the debtor from such master netting agreement participant under or in connection with such agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements or against cash, securities, or other property held by, pledged to and under the control of, or due from such master netting agreement participant to margin, quarantee, secure, or settle such agreements or any contract or agreement subject to such agreements, to the extent such participant is eligible to exercise such offset rights under paragraph (6), (7), or (17) for each individual contract covered by the master netting agreement in issue.".

(2) Limitation.—Section 362 of title 11, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

1	"(i) Limitation.—The exercise of rights not subject to
2	the stay arising under subsection (a) pursuant to para-
3	graph (6), (7), or (17), or (32) of subsection (b) shall not
4	be stayed by any order of a court or administrative agency
5	in any proceeding under this title.".
6	(e) Limitation of Avoidance Powers Under Mas-
7	TER NETTING AGREEMENT.—Section 546 of title 11, United
8	States Code, is amended—
9	(1) in subsection (g) (as added by section 103 of
10	Public Law 101–311)—
11	(A) by striking "under a swap agreement";
12	and
13	(B) by striking "in connection with a swap
14	agreement" and inserting "under or in connec-
15	tion with any swap agreement"; and
16	(2) by adding at the end the following:
17	"(j) Notwithstanding sections 544, 545, 547,
18	548(a)(1)(B), and $548(b)$ , the trustee may not avoid a
19	transfer made by or to a master netting agreement partici-
20	pant under or in connection with any master netting agree-
21	ment or any individual contract covered thereby that is
22	made before the commencement of the case, except under sec-
23	tion 548(a)(1)(A), and except to the extent the trustee could
24	otherwise avoid such a transfer made under an individual
25	contract covered by such master netting agreement.".

1	(f) Fraudulent Transfers of Master Netting
2	AGREEMENTS.—Section 548(d)(2) of title 11, United States
3	Code, is amended—
4	(1) in subparagraph (C), by striking "and";
5	(2) in subparagraph (D), by striking the period
6	and inserting "; and"; and
7	(3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
8	paragraph:
9	"(E) a master netting agreement participant
10	that receives a transfer in connection with a master
11	netting agreement or any individual contract covered
12	thereby takes for value to the extent of such transfer,
13	except, with respect to a transfer under any indi-
14	vidual contract covered thereby, to the extent such
15	master netting agreement participant otherwise did
16	not take (or is otherwise not deemed to have taken)
17	such transfer for value.".
18	(g) Termination or Acceleration of Securities
19	Contracts.—Section 555 of title 11, United States Code,
20	is amended—
21	(1) by amending the section heading to read as
22	follows:
23	"§ 555. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or
24	accelerate a securities contract";
25	and

1	(2) in the first sentence, by striking 'liquida-
2	tion" and inserting "liquidation, termination, or ac-
3	celeration".
4	(h) Termination or Acceleration of Commod-
5	ITIES OR FORWARD CONTRACTS.—Section 556 of title 11,
6	United States Code, is amended—
7	(1) by amending the section heading to read as
8	follows:
9	"§ 556. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or
10	accelerate a commodities contract or for-
11	ward contract";
12	and
13	(2) in the first sentence, by striking 'liquida-
14	tion" and inserting "liquidation, termination, or ac-
15	celeration".
16	(i) Termination or Acceleration of Repurchase
17	AGREEMENTS.—Section 559 of title 11, United States Code,
18	is amended—
19	(1) by amending the section heading to read as
20	follows:
21	"§ 559. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or
22	accelerate a repurchase agreement";
23	and

1	(2) in the first sentence, by striking "liquida-
2	tion" and inserting "liquidation, termination, or ac-
3	celeration".
4	(j) Liquidation, Termination, or Acceleration of
5	SWAP AGREEMENTS.—Section 560 of title 11, United States
6	Code, is amended—
7	(1) by amending the section heading to read as
8	follows:
9	"§ 560. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or
10	accelerate a swap agreement";
11	(2) in the first sentence, by striking "termi-
12	nation of a swap agreement" and inserting "liquida-
13	tion, termination, or acceleration of 1 or more swap
14	agreements"; and
15	(3) by striking "in connection with any swap
16	agreement" and inserting "in connection with the ter-
17	mination, liquidation, or acceleration of 1 or more
18	swap agreements".
19	(k) Liquidation, Termination, Acceleration, or
20	Offset Under a Master Netting Agreement and
21	Across Contracts.—(1) Title 11, United States Code, is
22.	amended by inserting after section 560 the following:

1	"§ 561. Contractual right to terminate, liquidate, ac-
2	celerate, or offset under a master netting
3	agreement and across contracts
4	"(a) In General.—Subject to subsection (b), the exer-
5	cise of any contractual right, because of a condition of the
6	kind specified in section 365(e)(1), to cause the termination,
7	liquidation, or acceleration of or to offset or net termination
8	values, payment amounts or other transfer obligations aris-
9	ing under or in connection with 1 or more (or the termi-
10	nation, liquidation, or acceleration of 1 or more)—
11	"(1) securities contracts, as defined in section
12	741(7);
13	"(2) commodity contracts, as defined in section
14	761(4);
15	"(3) forward contracts;
16	"(4) repurchase agreements;
17	"(5) swap agreements; or
18	"(6) master netting agreements,
19	shall not be stayed, avoided, or otherwise limited by oper-
20	ation of any provision of this title or by any order of a
21	court or administrative agency in any proceeding under
22	this title.
23	"(b) Exception.—
24	"(1) A party may exercise a contractual right
25	described in subsection (a) to terminate, liquidate, or
26	accelerate only to the extent that such party could ex-

1	ercise such a right under section 555, 556, 559, or
2	560 for each individual contract covered by the mas-
3	ter netting agreement in issue.
4	"(2) If a debtor is a commodity broker subject to
5	subchapter IV of chapter 7—
6	"(A) a party may not net or offset an obli-
7	gation to the debtor arising under, or in connec-
8	tion with, a commodity contract against any
9	claim arising under, or in connection with, other
10	instruments, contracts, or agreements listed in
11	subsection (a), except to the extent the party has
12	positive net equity in the commodity accounts at
13	the debtor, as calculated under such subchapter;
14	and
15	"(B) another commodity broker may not net
16	or offset an obligation to the debtor arising
17	under, or in connection with, a commodity con-
18	tract entered into or held on behalf of a customer
19	of the debtor against any claim arising under, or
20	in connection with, other instruments, contracts,
21	or agreements listed in subsection (a).
22	"(c) Rule of Application.—Subparagraphs (A) and
23	(B) of subsection $(b)(2)$ shall not be construed as prohibiting
24	the offset of claims and obligations arising pursuant to—

- 1 "(1) a cross-margining arrangement that has 2 been approved by the Commodity Futures Trading 3 Commission or that has been submitted to such Com-4 mission pursuant to section 5a(a)(12) of the Com-5 modity Exchange Act and has been permitted to go
- "(2) another netting arrangement, between a
   clearing organization (as defined in section 761) and
   another entity, that has been approved by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- "(d) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term

  12 'contractual right' includes a right set forth in a rule or

  13 bylaw of a national securities exchange, a national securi
  14 ties association, or a securities clearing agency, a right set

  15 forth in a bylaw of a clearing organization or contract mar
  16 ket or in a resolution of the governing board thereof, and

  17 a right, whether or not evidenced in writing, arising under

  18 common law, under law merchant, or by reason of normal

  19 business practice."
- 20 (2) Conforming amendment.—The table of sections 21 of chapter 5 of title 11, United States Code, is amended 22 by inserting after the item relating to section 560 the fol-23 lowing:

"561. Contractual right to terminate, liquidate, accelerate, or offset under a mas-

ter netting agreement and across contracts.".

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into effect; or

- 1 (1) Municipal Bankruptcies.—Section 901(a) of
- 2 title 11, United States Code, is amended—
- 3 (1) by inserting "555, 556," after "553,"; and
- 4 (2) by inserting "559, 560, 561, 562," after
- 5 "557,".
- 6 (m) Ancillary Proceedings.—Section 304 of title
- 7 11, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end
- 8 the following new subsection:
- 9 "(d) Any provisions of this title relating to securities
- 10 contracts, commodity contracts, forward contracts, repur-
- 11 chase agreements, swap agreements, or master netting
- 12 agreements shall apply in a case ancillary to a foreign pro-
- 13 ceeding under this section or any other section of this title
- 14 so that enforcement of contractual provisions of such con-
- 15 tracts and agreements in accordance with their terms will
- 16 not be stayed or otherwise limited by operation of any pro-
- 17 vision of this title or by order of a court in any proceeding
- 18 under this title, and to limit avoidance powers to the same
- 19 extent as in a proceeding under chapter 7 or 11 (such en-
- 20 forcement not to be limited based on the presence or absence
- 21 of assets of the debtor in the United States).".
- 22 (n) Commodity Broker Liquidations.—Title 11,
- 23 United States Code, is amended by inserting after section
- 24 766 the following:

1 "§ 767. Commodity broker liquidation and forward	1
contract merchants, commodity brokers,	2
stockbrokers, financial institutions, fi-	3
nancial participants, securities clearing	4
agencies, swap participants, repo partici-	5
pants, and master netting agreement par-	6
7 ticipants	7
3 "Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the	8
exercise of rights by a forward contract merchant, com-	9
O modity broker, stockbroker, financial institution, financial	10
1 participant, securities clearing agency, swap participant,	11
2 repo participant, or master netting agreement participant	12
3 under this title shall not affect the priority of any unsecured	13
4 claim it may have after the exercise of such rights.".	14
(o) Stockbroker Liquidations.—Title 11, United	15
5 States Code, is amended by inserting after section 752 the	16
7 following:	17
8 "§ 753. Stockbroker liquidation and forward contract	18
merchants, commodity brokers, stock-	19
brokers, financial institutions, financial	20
participants, securities clearing agencies,	21
2 swap participants, repo participants, and	22
master netting agreement participants	23
1 "Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, the	24
5 exercise of rights by a forward contract merchant, com-	25
5 modity broker, stockbroker, financial institution, securities	26

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clearing agency, swap participant, repo participant, finan-
    cial participant, or master netting agreement participant
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    under this title shall not affect the priority of any unsecured
    claim it may have after the exercise of such rights.".
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         (p) Setoff.—Section 553 of title 11, United States
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    Code, is amended—
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              (1) in subsection (a)(3)(C), by inserting "(except
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        for a setoff of a kind described in section 362(b)(6),
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         362(b)(7), 362(b)(17), 362(b)(32), 555, 556, 559, 560
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         or 561)" before the period; and
              (2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking "362(b)(14)"
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         and inserting "362(b)(17), 362(b)(32), 555, 556, 559,
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         560, 561".
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         (q) Securities Contracts, Commodity Contracts,
    AND FORWARD CONTRACTS.—Title 11, United States Code,
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    is amended—
17
              (1) in section 362(b)(6), by striking "financial"
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         institutions," each place such term appears and in-
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         serting "financial institution, financial participant";
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              (2) in section 546(e), by inserting "financial"
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         participant," after "financial institution,";
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              (3) in section 548(d)(2)(B), by inserting "finan-
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         cial participant," after "financial institution,";
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              (4) in section 555—
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1	(A) by inserting "financial participant,"
2	after "financial institution,"; and
3	(B) by inserting before the period at the end
4	", a right set forth in a bylaw of a clearing orga-
5	nization or contract market or in a resolution of
6	the governing board thereof, and a right, whether
7	or not in writing, arising under common law,
8	under law merchant, or by reason of normal
9	business practice"; and
10	(5) in section 556, by inserting ", financial par-
11	ticipant" after "commodity broker".
12	(r) Conforming Amendments.—Title 11, United
13	States Code, is amended—
14	(1) in the table of sections of chapter 5—
15	(A) by amending the items relating to sec-
16	tions 555 and 556 to read as follows:
	"555. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a securities contract." 556. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a commodities contract or forward contract.";
17	and
18	(B) by amending the items relating to sec-
19	tions 559 and 560 to read as follows:
	"559. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a repurchase agreement.
	"560. Contractual right to liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a swap agreement.";
20	and
21	(2) in the table of sections of chapter 7—

1	(A) by inserting after the item relating to
2	section 766 the following:
	"767. Commodity broker liquidation and forward contract merchants, commodity brokers, stockbrokers, financial institutions, financial participants, securities clearing agencies, swap participants, repo participants, and master netting agreement participants.";
3	and
4	(B) by inserting after the item relating to
5	section 752 the following:
	"753. Stockbroker liquidation and forward contract merchants, commodity brokers, stockbrokers, financial institutions, financial participants, securities clearing agencies, swap participants, repo participants, and master netting agreement participants.".
6	SEC. 9. RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS.
7	Section 11(e)(8) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
8	(12 U.S.C. 1821(e)(8)) is amended by adding at the end
9	the following new subparagraph:
10	"(H) RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS.—
11	The Corporation, in consultation with the appro-
12	priate Federal banking agencies, may prescribe
13	regulations requiring more detailed record-
14	keeping with respect to qualified financial con-
15	tracts (including market valuations) by insured
16	depository institutions.".
17	SEC. 10. EXEMPTIONS FROM CONTEMPORANEOUS EXECU-
18	TION REQUIREMENT.
19	Section 13(e)(2) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act
20	(12 U.S.C. 1823(e)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

1	"(2) Exemptions from contemporaneous
2	EXECUTION REQUIREMENT.—An agreement to provide
3	for the lawful collateralization of—
4	"(A) deposits of, or other credit extension
5	by, a Federal, State, or local governmental enti-
6	ty, or of any depositor referred to in section
7	11(a)(2), including an agreement to provide col-
8	lateral in lieu of a surety bond;
9	"(B) bankruptcy estate funds pursuant to
10	section 345(b)(2) of title 11, United States Code;
11	"(C) extensions of credit, including any
12	overdraft, from a Federal reserve bank or Federal
13	home loan bank; or
14	"(D) 1 or more qualified financial con-
15	tracts, as defined in section $11(e)(8)(D)$ ,
16	shall not be deemed invalid pursuant to paragraph
17	(1)(B) solely because such agreement was not executed
18	contemporaneously with the acquisition of the collat-
19	eral or because of pledges, delivery, or substitution of
20	the collateral made in accordance with such agree-
21	ment.".
22	SEC. 11. DAMAGE MEASURE.
23	(a) In General.—Title 11, United States Code, is
24	amended—
25	(1) by inserting after section 561 the following:

1	"§ 562. Damage measure in connection with swap
2	agreements, securities contracts, forward
3	contracts, commodity contracts, repur-
4	chase agreements, or master netting
5	agreements
6	"If the trustee rejects a swap agreement, securities con-
7	tract as defined in section 741, forward contract, com-
8	modity contract (as defined in section 761) repurchase
9	agreement, or master netting agreement pursuant to section
10	365(a), or if a forward contract merchant, stockbroker, fi-
11	nancial institution, securities clearing agency, repo partici-
12	pant, financial participant, master netting agreement par-
13	ticipant, or swap participant liquidates, terminates, or ac-
14	celerates such contract or agreement, damages shall be
15	measured as of the earlier of—
16	"(1) the date of such rejection; or
17	"(2) the date of such liquidation, termination, or
18	acceleration."; and
19	(2) in the table of sections of chapter 5 by insert-
20	ing after the item relating to section 561 the fol-
21	lowing:
	"562. Damage measure in connection with swap agreements, securities contracts, forward contracts, commodity contracts, repurchase agreements, or master netting agreements.".
22	(b) Claims Arising From Rejection.—Section
23	502(a) of title 11 United States Code is amended—

1 (1) by designating the existing text as paragraph 2 (1); and (2) by adding at the end the following: 3 "(2) A claim for damages calculated in accordance 4 with section 562 shall be allowed under subsection (a), (b), or (c), or disallowed under subsection (d) or (e), as if such claim had arisen before the date of the filing of the peti-8 tion.". SEC. 12. SIPC STAY. 10 Section 5(b)(2) of the Securities Investor Protection Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. 78eee(b)(2)) is amended by adding after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph: 13 "(C) Exception from stay.— 14 "(i) Notwithstanding section 362 of 15 title 11, United States Code, neither the filing of an application under subsection 16 17 (a)(3) nor any order or decree obtained by 18 the Securities Investor Protection Corpora-19 tion from the court shall operate as a stay 20 of any contractual rights of a creditor to 21 liquidate, terminate, or accelerate a securi-22 ties contract, commodity contract, forward 23 contract, repurchase agreement, swap agree-24 ment, or master netting agreement, each as 25 defined in title 11 United States Code, to

offset or net termination values, payment amounts, or other transfer obligations arising under or in connection with 1 or more of such contracts or agreements, or to foreclose on any cash collateral pledged by the debtor whether or not with respect to 1 or more of such contracts or agreements.

"(ii) Notwithstanding clause (i), such application, order, or decree may operate as a stay of the foreclosure on or disposition of securities collateral pledged by the debtor, whether or not with respect to 1 or more of such contracts or agreements, securities sold by the debtor under a repurchase agreement or securities lent under a securities lending agreement.

"(iii) As used in this section, the term 'contractual right' includes a right set forth in a rule or bylaw of a national securities exchange, a national securities association, or a securities clearing agency, a right set forth in a bylaw of a clearing organization or contract market or in a resolution of the governing board thereof, and a right, whether or not in writing, arising under common

1	law, under law merchant, or by reason of
2	normal business practice.".
3	SEC. 13. ASSET-BACKED SECURITIZATIONS.
4	Section 541 of title 11, United States Code, is
5	amended—
6	(1) in subsection (b)—
7	(A) by striking "or" at the end of para-
8	$graph\ (4)(B)(ii);$
9	(B) by redesignating paragraph (5) as
10	paragraph (6); and
11	(C) by inserting after paragraph (4) the fol-
12	lowing new paragraph:
13	"(5) any eligible asset (or proceeds thereof), to
14	the extent that such eligible asset was transferred by
15	the debtor before the date of commencement of the
16	case, to an eligible entity in connection with an asset-
17	backed securitization, except to the extent such asset
18	(or proceeds or value thereof) may be recovered by the
19	trustee under section 550 by virtue of avoidance
20	under section 548(a)(1); or"; and
21	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
22	section:
23	"(e) For purposes of this section, the following defini-
24	tions shall apply:

"(1) the term 'asset-backed securitization' means a transaction in which eligible assets transferred to an eligible entity are used as the source of payment on securities, including all securities issued by governmental units, at least 1 class or tranche of which is rated investment grade by 1 or more nationally recognized securities rating organizations, when the securities are initially issued by an issuer;

## "(2) the term 'eligible asset' means—

"(A) financial assets (including interests therein and proceeds thereof), either fixed or revolving, whether or not such assets are in existence as of the date of the transfer, including residential and commercial mortgage loans, consumer receivables, trade receivables, assets of governmental units (including payment obligations relating to taxes, receipts, fines, tickets, and other sources of revenue), and lease receivables, that, by their terms, convert into cash within a finite time period, plus any residual interest in property subject to receivables included in such financial assets plus any rights or other assets designed to assure the servicing or timely distribution of proceeds to security holders;

"(B) cash; and

1	"(C) securities, including all securities
2	issued by governmental units.
3	"(3) the term 'eligible entity' means—
4	"(A) an issuer; or
5	"(B) a trust, corporation, partnership, gov-
6	ernmental unit, limited liability company (in-
7	cluding a single member limited liability com-
8	pany), or other entity engaged exclusively in the
9	business of acquiring and transferring eligible
10	assets directly or indirectly to an issuer and tak-
11	ing actions ancillary thereto;
12	"(4) the term 'issuer' means a trust, corporation,
13	partnership, governmental unit, limited liability com-
14	pany (including a single member limited liability
15	company), or other entity engaged exclusively in the
16	business of acquiring and holding eligible assets,
17	issuing securities backed by eligible assets, and taking
18	actions ancillary thereto; and
19	"(5) the term 'transferred' means the debtor, pur-
20	suant to a written agreement, represented and war-
21	ranted that eligible assets were sold, contributed, or
22	otherwise conveyed with the intention of removing
23	them from the estate of the debtor pursuant to sub-
24	section (b)(5) (whether or not reference is made to this

1	title or any section of this title), irrespective, without
2	limitation, of—
3	"(A) whether the debtor directly or indi-
4	rectly obtained or held an interest in the issuer
5	or in any securities issued by the issuer;
6	"(B) whether the debtor had an obligation
7	to repurchase or to service or supervise the serv-
8	icing of all or any portion of such eligible assets;
9	or
10	"(C) the characterization of such sale, con-
11	tribution, or other conveyance for tax, account-
12	ing, regulatory reporting, or other purposes.".
13	SEC. 14. APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS.
14	The amendments made by this Act shall apply with
15	respect to cases commenced or appointments made under
16	any Federal or State law after the date of the enactment
17	of this Act, but shall not apply with respect to cases com-
18	menced or appointments made under any Federal or State
19	law before the date of the enactment of this Act.

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106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# H.R. 1161

[Report No. 106-834, Part I]

# A BILL

To revise the banking and bankruptcy insolvency laws with respect to the termination and netting of financial contracts, and for other purposes.

### September 7, 2000

Reported from the Committee on Banking and Financial Services with an amendment

### September 7, 2000

Referral to the Committees on the Judiciary and Commerce extended for a period ending not later than September 7, 2000.

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The Committees on the Judiciary and Commerce discharged; committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed